

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A high pullulan content liquid, which has a viscosity of 2.5 mm²/s or more in terms of a pullulan concentration of 10%(w/w) when determined at 30°C on the Ubelode viscometer method, a common bacterial count of less than 300 cells/g product, a negativity with respect to coliform group, a pH of 4.5 to 7.5, and a pullulan concentration of 20%(w/w) or more.

2. (original) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, wherein said pulluan has a weight-average molecular weight (MW) of 5,000 to 500,000.

3. (original) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1 or 2, which is in the form of an aqueous pullulan solution.

4. (currently amended) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, ~~2 or 3,~~ which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

5. (currently amended) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 4, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats are ~~comprise~~ ethanol.

6. (currently amended) A method of transporting a high pullulan content liquid, which comprises a step of transporting said high pullulan content liquid of claim 1 under a temperature condition of 14°C or lower.

7. (currently amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 4 ~~or 5~~ 1 under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

8. (new) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 2, which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

9. (new) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 8, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.

10. (new) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 8 under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

11. (new) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 9 under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

12. (new) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 3, which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

13. (new) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 12, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.

14. (new) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 12 under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

15. (new) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 13 under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.